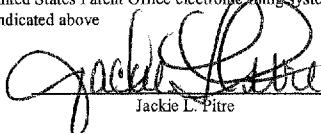


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Applicant respectfully submits that the cited art does not teach or suggest the combinations of features set forth in the Applicant's claims. By way of nonlimiting example, Applicant submits the cited references at least do not appear to teach or suggest a method for developing a reinsurance administration system for reinsurance contracts that includes obtaining a reinsurance business process framework, wherein the reinsurance business process framework

comprises common functionality for one or more reinsurance business processes and wherein the reinsurance business process framework comprises: one or more classes of objects designed for a reinsurance administration system; a plurality of support processes; a plurality of hook methods, and a designated order for executing steps in one or more application programs, wherein the steps comprise pre-execution, data entry, data validation, pre-commission, commission, and post-commission, and a computer system combining one or more subclasses to build one or more application programs for the reinsurance administration system, wherein the order for executing steps in the one or more application programs is the order for the reinsurance business process framework.

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